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During called CCBOE meeting last Thursday evening

Robinson employed as new ZC principal

by Linda Hodge, Editor

The Coffee County Board of Education approved the employment of a new principal for Zion Chapel School during a called meeting Thursday evening, May 26, at the board of education office.

Jared Robinson was employed via a Probationary Principal Contract to be the new principal for Zion Chapel. Most recently, he had been employed with the Coffee County School System as an assistant principal at New Brockton Elementary School. Prior to that he was a teacher/coach at Zion Chapel School.

Robinson replaces Matt Barton at the Zion Chapel helm. Barton recently was employed as the student services supervisor for the school system, with that job set to begin July 1st.

Also, during the meeting last Thursday evening, board members approved several other personnel matters recommended by Superintendent Kelly Cobb.

Regarding certificated personnel, the board accepted the resignation of Emily Harrison, special education teacher at New Brockton High School, effective

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Jared Robinson will serve as the principal of Zion Chapel Schools for the upcoming school year. Prior to being named the new principal for ZC during last week's called Coffee County BOE meeting, Robinson was serving as vice principal at New Brockton Elementary.



SPLASH PAD IS OPEN IN ELBA! The thrills and squeals that come each summer with the Splash Pad in Elba returned last week as the Elba Parks and Recreation opened the aquatic attraction for the 2022 season. With sunny days and warm temperatures, the Splash Pad already has been a favorite spot for families. On Tuesday afternoon, several youngsters were found playing in the water while others sat in the shade enjoying a snack. The Splash Pad, located in downtown Elba at Tiger Town Park, is open each Tuesday - Saturday from 10 a.m. - 8 p.m., and each Sunday from 1 - 8 p.m. It is closed on Mondays for routine maintenance. There is no charge to enjoy the Elba Splash Pad.

Elba City Schools to provide summer meals

Elba City Schools is participating in the Summer Food Service Program.

Meals will be provided to all children without charge and are the same for all children regardless of race, color, national origin, sex, age or disability, and there will be no discrimination in the course of the meal service.

Elba Elementary School will provide meals June 6, 2022 - June 30, 2022 (Monday-Thursday)

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Elba City Council votes to bid two roadway repair projects

by Linda Hodge, Editor

During the Elba City Council meeting held Monday evening, May 23, council members discussed two separate road issues that need addressing.

A portion of Putnum Street has been closed for a couple of months now due to erosion underneath that roadway where drainage pipes allow storm waters to flow. Another city street, Woodland Drive now too is experiencing erosion issues at a drainage pipe as well.

Following lengthy discussions of each and reviewing repair cost estimates pro-

Portion of U.S. Hwy. 84 in Elba to be named after Senator Jimmy Holley

Elba Mayor Tom Maddox announced during the May 23rd Elba City Council meeting that a special ceremony is planned for Sunday, June 12, at 2 p.m. to name a portion of U.S. Highway 84 in Elba after retiring State Senator Jimmy Holley.

This ceremony will be held in the parking lot of the Shoppes at Taylor Crossing (along the new Hwy 84). Following the road naming ceremony, friends of Senator Holley are invited to a reception at the Elba Country Club.

vided by the city engineer, council members voted during this meeting to put these projects out for bid to be able to determine what direction needs to be taken to make necessary repairs.

A concern of several Woodland Drive residents in attendance for the meeting was the ability for them to be able to come and go during repair work, and most especially, the ability for emergency vehicles to be able to access the homes should there be an emergency during the time the repair work is underway.

Woodland Drive is a dead-end street with a cul de sac at the end of that road. Some of the concerned citizens indicated they would not be in favor of utilizing golf carts to get to and from their homes during the construction work [they noted this would require traveling through wooded areas on private property land]. Instead, the citizens encouraged council members to try and find a way to keep at least one lane of the roadway open during the repair work for their safety and convenience.

With each project, city officials believe ARPA [American Rescue Plan Act] funds can be utilized to make the necessary repairs to these roadways, making them safe for traffic again.

The city engineer did recommend the projects be bid together to possibly be more attractive to contractors interested in the work.

During city clerk Sally Bane's report to council members, councilman Gappa Wise asked where the sewer project is regarding completion. This project went past its approved contract completion date several months ago, and the contractor has been paying liquidated damages of \$500 per day since that time.

Bane said the project remains in liquidated damages with no "close date" set yet. She said the contractor had not reached substantially complete with the project as of the council meeting.

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Elba Police make drug-related arrest

According to Coffee County Jail records, Elba Police arrested Dawn Doak, age 30, of Elba, on Sunday, May 29, and she faces drug-related charges.

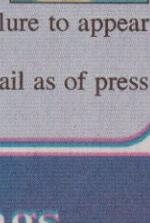
Doak was booked as an inmate at the Coffee County Jail at 1:22 a.m. Sunday morning. The charges she faces include possession of a controlled substance (\$10,000 bond), and misdemeanor possession of drug paraphernalia (\$5,000 bond). She also faces a misdemeanor failure to appear charge (\$500 bond).

Doak remained in the Coffee County Jail as of press time this week.

Area Happenings

THE EVERGREEN CEMETERY BOARD, in Elba, will meet Thursday, June 2, at 6 p.m., at Elba City Hall. This meeting is open to the public.

THE ELBA CITY SCHOOL BOARD will hold its regular monthly board meeting for June on Thursday, June 9, at 5:30 p.m. at the Central Office.



EDITORIAL

BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

"Never let the fear of striking out keep you from playing the game." — Babe Ruth

Gasoline prices are through the roof with no signs of receding. Politics being what they are, Washington leaders are being blamed for the worldwide jump in prices. The D.C. folks are due a bunch of criticism, as was the last bunch, the bunch before them, etc., but the oil issue is bigger than that. It has been over 60 years since a new oil refinery opened in the U.S.! Think back and see how many different Washington crowds you can blame for that . . . if any.

"Research from the Babraham Institute (Cambridge, England) has developed a method to 'time jump' human skin cells by 30 years, turning back the aging clock for cells without losing their specialized function. Work by researchers in the Institute's Epigenetics research program has been able to partly restore the function of older cells, as well as rejuvenating the molecular measures of biological age. The research was published April 7, 2022 in the journal *eLife* and while at an early stage of exploration, it could revolutionize regenerative medicine." Our immediate reaction was, "Hey make me be in my early 50s again!" but then second thoughts arose and the question being pondered is, "Do I really want to be 50 again?" Anyway this is a long way from being a prescription at the local drug store but experts think the methods being used can be expanded to work on the APBA2 gene, associated with Alzheimer's disease, and the MAF gene with a role in the development of cataracts, both showed changes towards youthful levels of transcription. Maybe this will be fully developed in time to help our children – if not, then our grandchildren.

Early last week, it was reported the U.S. Army naming commission recommending "renaming" Ft. Rucker to Fort Novosel. Ft. Rucker is one of nine U. S. military installations that were named in commemoration of the Confederacy. The name changing is another effort to be politically correct. Nothing is yet cast in stone but thousands of alternate names have already been discarded so things are getting much closer to a final decision. The late Michael Novosel Sr. is a Medal of Honor recipient that "retired" in Enterprise. He served in World War II, Korea, and Vietnam.

This latest mass killing event in a Texas elementary school is of course tragic. None of us know why this teenage boy would kill two teachers and nineteen children and wound a bunch more students. Social media erupted with countless unfounded rumors that make us wonder who thinks up all these stories – and why? One of the first to gain a footing on the gossip line was that this event was racial (most of the kids were Latino). The truth is the shooter was himself an American citizen of Latino heritage. Unfortunately, however this column will not make a dent in the rumor mill. Often the truth is too dull to survive in that atmosphere.

We got our second COVID booster shot last week. Experts disagree on promoting this booster shot. They think more attention should be on getting EVERYONE the first set of shots. We don't disagree with their ideas but "looking out for me" kicked in and we didn't want to take the chance of being the 'oops' guy on this issue.



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U.S. Senator Tuberville honors some of Alabama's fallen heroes for Memorial Day

U.S. Senator Tommy Tuberville (R-AL) recognized five of Alabama's fallen soldiers and their families in honor of Memorial Day.

The stories shared are those of Officer Marsha Ratchford from Prichard, Sergeant Elbert Phillips from Huntsville, Sergeant Jason Jordan from Elba, Private James Joshua Jr. from Gadsden, and Private Thomas Stagg from Birmingham.

The video of his remarks can be viewed on YouTube by searching "Senator Tuberville Honors Alabama's Fallen Heroes".

Elba Police Report

The Elba Police Department, between Tuesday, May 24, 2022, and Monday, May 30, 2022, conducted the following activity:

Tuesday, May 24 – Civil complaint reported at 435 Reese Ave (8:06 a.m.); Theft of property reported on Taylor Mill Rd (9:41 a.m.); Theft of property reported at 895 Old Samson Rd (10:15 a.m.); Reckless driver reported on County Rd 263 (2:40 p.m.); Theft of property reported to Elba Police (5:52 p.m.); Reckless driver reported on Neil Grantham Dr (6:31 p.m.); Disturbance reported at 992 Hwy 203, Suite 1 (9:54 p.m.). One traffic stop resulted in an arrest.

Wednesday, May 25 – Grass/Woods fire reported on Herman Driggers Dr (3:08 a.m.); Domestic complaint reported at 1825 County Rd 505 (8:05 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at 100 Beaver Dam St (2:09 p.m.); Theft of property reported at 622 Newton St (3:00 p.m.); Traffic accident reported at 661 E Davis St (7:20 p.m.). Four traffic stops resulted in one citation, one no action, one verbal warning, and one arrest.

Saturday, May 28 – Criminal mischief reported at 645 Lee St (12:23 p.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 494 Newton St (12:50 p.m.); Domestic complaint reported at 3641 Hwy 189, Kinston (1:32 p.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 997 Winston Ave (9:59 p.m.). Six traffic stops resulted in five citations, and one verbal warning.

Thursday, May 26 – Suspicious vehicle reported on Buford St (9:35 a.m.); Theft of services reported at 895 Old Samson Rd (10:03 a.m.); Theft by deception reported at 429 N Claxton Ave (12:54 p.m.); Assault reported on the Troy Hwy (2:15 p.m.); Harassment reported at 595 Newton St (6:01 p.m.); Verbal altercation reported at 1014 County Rd 513 (7:00 p.m.); Verbal altercation reported at 595 Newton St (10:30 p.m.). Seven traffic stops resulted in five citations, and two written warnings.

Friday, May 27 – Trespassing reported at 775

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roes for Memorial Day. Below are some of Tuberville's remarks...

"The first stanza of our National Anthem ends: ' O say does that star-spangled banner yet wave o'er the land of the free, and the home of the brave?' We sing this part as a triumphant declaration, but if you read the lyrics of the Star Spangled Banner, the sentence actually ends with a question mark. Francis Scott Key intended this line to be sung as a question rather than a statement. Many soldiers lost their lives to give us the security we all enjoy, and the assurance we are proud of. That is what we keep in our hearts and on our minds as we honor the fallen on this Memorial Day."

"Over the years, our national anthem took on a feeling of confidence and assurance, rather than uncertainty. And that's thanks to the millions of men and women who bravely answered the call to serve. Many soldiers lost their lives to give us the security we all enjoy, and the assurance we are proud of. That is what we keep in our hearts and on our minds as we honor the fallen on this Memorial Day."

"It is impossible to speak of Gold Star families without mentioning the parents who are robbed of the joy of seeing their children grow up and have families of their own. Danny Jordan, from Elba, Alabama, is one such Gold Star parent. Danny's son, U.S. Army Sergeant Jason Jordan of the 101st Airborne Division, was killed in the Iraqi village of Tallifar on the night of July 20, 2003, when his Humvee was attacked by rocket-propelled grenades."

"These are the stories of Americans who gave their lives for freedom's cause—mothers, brothers, sisters, and sons who became heroes to all of us... These heroes lived lives of impact, driven by a desire to serve their country at any cost. We tell their story to keep their memory alive and ensure their sacrifices are never, never forgotten."

"And as long as there are brave men and women like those I've mentioned today, we can continue to sing the national anthem, not with a question mark, but with a declaration that we are the 'land of the free and the home of the brave.'"



Editor's Note: Cuzin Lou Lou's tales are to be enjoyed as a light-hearted form of Southern expression

Cuzin Lou Lou and Sister headed out over the weekend on a "day trip" and chose to ride in Lou Lou's Jeep, affectionately called the Lou 2! Well...affectionately called by Lou Lou, not so much by Sister, especially if riding at night now!

With no rain in the forecast for the beautiful Saturday, Lou Lou decided they would take the trip with the top off Lou 2. Knowing this would cause her hair to "fly everywhere" Sister was prepared and brought along a cap to wear for the trip. She also realized they would most likely be returning home to Yonder after dark, so, she packed a lightweight jacket and a throw to cover up with in case she got cool.

Soon, Sister was covered once again, only to be heard from time to time as she groaned about how cold she was traveling with no top at night!

Lou Lou tried to calm her by making sure the heat was blowing to help curtail the cool air, but that did nothing to help Sister and her misery.

The two made it home safe and not frozen, although that will not be the story Sister tells when she gives her version of this tale!

Lou Lou looks forward to many more trips much like it in Lou 2, but Sister insists that they need to at least have the top on the Jeep so it can be let down at night to protect her preciousness from the cold, night air!

The ride home Saturday night was a totally different experience, however!

Sister went ahead and put on her jacket and wrapped herself in her throw cover before the two even departed the beach area. She just knew this was going to be a "cold" ride home.

Lou Lou agreed the ride home would be a bit more chilly, and she too had a wind-jacket to put on for a little extra comfort, and it

was! Until next time...God Bless and Keep Smiling!

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CCMGA PRACTICES AIR LAYERING TECHNIQUE...Jacque Hawkins (far left), President-Elect of the Coffee County Master Gardener Association, recently attended the 2022 Alabama Master Gardener Association Annual Conference and Business Meeting held at the Embassy Suites, Montgomery, Ala. One of the workshops that was given by Master Gardener's Rhona Watson and Jane Mobley was on "How to Air Layer Camellias." Hawkins spoke on the techniques they used for air layering and Ed Speigner (fifth from left), President of CCMGA, assisted members in hands-on of stripping a horizontal branch and then demonstrated how to use root hormone, how to wrap the moss around the stripped limb and how to wrap the moss to ensure air layering occurs. Air layering is a method of propagation, which results in the clone of a plant. Plants that are hard to propagate by seed starting or taking cuttings may be successfully propagated by air layering, which gives you a much larger plant. Shown in photo (from left) Hawkins; Dawn Stirling-Smith; Vanessa Allen; Janina Coles, Steigner; Wanda Maddox; Jim Coles, Maggie Sickler; Georgia Fleming; and Coffee County Regional Extension Agent Megan Jones.

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Council member Jane Brunson asked what kind of feedback the city is receiving from the contractor, and Bane said their response is, "we are working as hard as we can."

Also, during her report, Bane said the city's website

ADPH provides information regarding infant formula shortages

The Alabama Department of Public Health (ADPH), Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) Program realizes the challenges that many families are facing with the current nationwide infant formula shortages. ADPH WIC is working daily to address this issue in Alabama.

ADPH WIC's infant formula rebate contract is with Mead Johnson Nutritionals. Due to formula shortages nationwide, ADPH WIC is allowing flexibilities with some infant formulas, to include varying the forms (powder, concentrate, ready to use) and sizes issued to WIC families. WIC is allowing store returns and exchanges. ADPH WIC is in regular communication with Mead Johnson, and the company is working with distribution centers supplying Alabama retailers to keep WIC-specific products on the shelf. WIC is monitoring daily formula redemptions and has not seen a change in the redemptions for WIC recipients, at this time.

All families with infants, whether WIC participants or not, should discuss formula questions with their infant's healthcare provider. Infant formulas can generally be found at retailers across the state to include small stores, larger chain stores, grocery stores, pharmacies and convenience stores. Other potential sources of formula include healthcare provider sample stock, food banks and other community groups with a vested interest in families.

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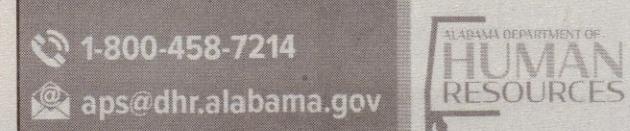


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Obituaries

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EDNA MAE MOBLEY

Mrs. Edna Mae Mobley, age 84, of Elba, Ala., died Saturday, May 28, 2022, at her daughter's home in Elba.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, June 1, 2022, from the Chapel of Hayes Funeral Home in Elba, at 3 p.m., with Rev. Paul Nelson and Rev. Will Spivey officiating. Burial followed in the Haw Hill Assembly of God Church Cemetery. Visitation was at Hayes Funeral Home on Wednesday, from 2-3 p.m.

Mrs. Mobley was preceded in death by her husband: Julian Marlin Mobley; father: Casper Flowers, and mother: Dessie Ree Flowers; along with sis-

ters: Ruby Nell Kelley and Doris Flowers.

Survivors include her daughters: Sheila (Paul) Nelson, Elba, Sandra Scott, Troy, Ala., and Sharon (Dan) Romero, Loxahatchee, Fla.; seven grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents: Louie Roscoe & Bertha Taylor Brooks; husband: Bill Bullard; daughter: Sharon Phillips; sisters: Mildred Deese, Hazel Brown, Jean Johnson, and Jeanette Brooks; and brother: Bill Brooks.

Survivors include her son: John Timothy "Tim" Bullard, Coffee Springs, Ala.; grandsons: Chris (Julie) Hodge, Enterprise, Ala., Landon Daniels; great-granddaughters: Peyton Hodge, Wicksburg, Ala., Charli Hodge, and Ella Hodge, Enterprise; and great-grandson: Brooks Hodge, Enterprise.

SHIRLEY ANN BULLARD

Mrs. Shirley Ann Bullard, age 86, of Elba, Ala., died Tuesday, May 24, 2022, at her residence.

A memorial service was held Tuesday, May 31, 2022, from the Chapel of Hayes Funeral Home in Elba with Min. Greg Hanchey officiating.

CCBOE

Announced at the Elba City Council meeting...

There will be a Juneteenth Celebration Thursday, June 16, at the Elba Splash Pad.

More details to Come!

tatively].

As for classified personnel, the board approved two matters recommended by the superintendent. Jessie Jacobs was non-renewed as a CNP worker at Zion Chapel School, effective immediately; and the resignation of Josh Garrison as a teacher aide at New Brockton High School, effective May 26, was approved.

Prior to adjourning, Superintendent Cobb noted the "Spotlight Teacher" for the quarter for Coffee County Schools was Scott Crosby, a teacher/coach at Kinston, and the "Spotlight Support Employee" for the quarter was School Resource Officer

USDA will allow producers to request voluntary termination of conservation reserve program contract

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) will allow Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) participants who are in the final year of their CRP contract to request voluntary termination of their CRP contract following the end of the primary nesting season for fiscal year 2022.

Participants approved for this one-time, voluntary termination will not have to repay rental payments, a flexibility implemented this year to help mitigate

protecting the global food supply challenges caused by the Russian invasion of Ukraine and other factors. Today, USDA also announced additional flexibilities for the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) and Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP).

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Talking to Your Kids About National Tragedies

Our nation has come together, unified too often, in grief after tragic events such as in Uvalde, Odessa, El Paso, Dayton, Parkland, Orlando, Sandy Hook, Las Vegas and the list goes on. And while we as a country continue to mourn, many of us have children both young and old who may be asking difficult questions. Here are a few tips on how to talk to your kids after a national tragedy.

First, know that many schools often host grief counselors for their students after a national tragedy. This is a great first step for students to bring up their concerns, fears and thoughts after such events. If you have a counselor or therapist that already works with you and your family, encourage that as a safe and productive place for your children to work through any anxieties they may have after a tragic event.

Address your child's fears with patience. If they saw a story online or heard a news story, be patient and know that there are likely many questions your child may have. Don't be afraid to limit news coverage in the home for a little while: continuing to see the same story over and over again may be distressing to younger children. Older children and teens are often connected to the world via smartphones and social media; let them know that if they see something that upset them or worries them that it is something that can be talked about openly.

Go over a safety plan with your children. Many kids from as young as elementary school have cell phones. Encourage them to call law enforcement if they feel something is wrong or if they are in danger. Ask your children to re-familiarize themselves with their schools' lockdown procedures: knowing their exits and options can save lives.

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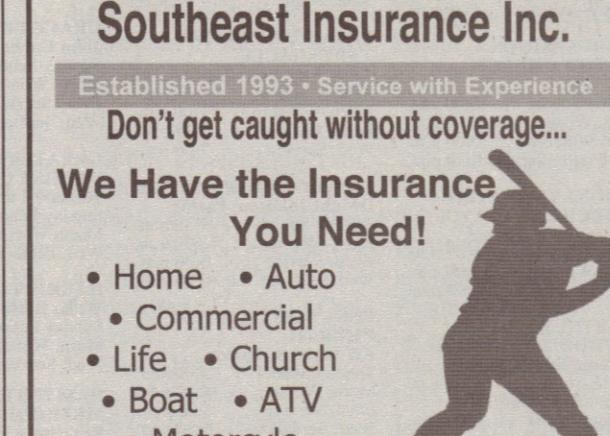
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CHURCH NEWS

PASTOR'S CORNER

by Ken Wilson, Pastor

Westside Baptist Church, Elba

Hometown

I grew up at 823 Canterbury Drive in Bessemer, Alabama, which is located in the central part of the state. Of course, it's not the location but what it means that really matters. I remember Pop (my grandfather) taking us up to the top of the 19th Street hill (we called it the "tippytop"), and he would park the car and point out all the landmarks in Bessemer. The water tower next to the hospital, the steeples on the First Baptist and the First Presbyterian churches, the town clock and the tree growing on top of the reality building.

Pop was proud of Bessemer, although it wasn't his hometown. He was originally from Madisonville, Kentucky, but had made his home in Bessemer as a young man. I guess the old saying that "home is where your heart is" was true for Pop, because his heart was definitely in Bessemer. As he would show me all the places he considered important, I would feel the pride rise in my spirit. This city was my city, and somehow I knew it would always be a part of who I was.

Today when I go back and visit my hometown, I like to go up on 19th street hill and look down over the city again. Many of the people and places have changed, but most of those landmarks are still there. I may not feel like I am a part of that city anymore, but it will always be a part of me.

I wonder if that's how Jesus felt about Nazareth when He said "no prophet is accepted in his hometown." (Luke 4:24) He had to have fond memories of the town where he grew up. There's no doubt that Nazareth shaped a little of who He was as a boy. He probably thought about Nazareth quite often. Perhaps when he cried over Jerusalem Nazareth was on his mind also. That's the great thing about a hometown; it is always just a memory away.

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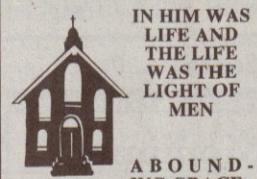
As healthcare professionals, it is up to you to ensure your patients remain up to date with their vaccines.

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- Tetanus, Diphtheria, Pertussis
- Human papillomavirus
- Meningococcal disease
- Influenza



For more information, please visit alabamapublichealth.gov/imm



IN REMEMBRANCE...Leo Brown and Joe Harris put out flags on the gravesite of veterans in honor of Memorial Day last weekend at the Mt. Calvary Missionary Baptist Church Cemetery, located on County Rd. 514 in Coffee County.

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| IN HIM WAS LIFE AND THE LIFE WAS THE LIGHT OF MEN | COVENANT COMMUNITY CHURCH Paul Jackson, Pastor Sunday Fellowship . . . 9:30 a.m. Sunday Worship . . . 10:00 a.m. Wed. Night "Peak of the Week & meal" . . . 5:30 p.m. Bible Study & Prayer . . . 6:15 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. | EVANGELIST TEMPLE CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST Timothy Williams, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:30 a.m. Wed. Bible Study . . . 6:00 p.m. | HOLY TEMPLE COGIC Glennwood, AL Sunday Prayer . . . 9:30 a.m. Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Worship Service . . . 11:00 a.m. | M.T. VERNON ASSEMBLY OF GOD Greg Winstead, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m. | NEW PHILADELPHIA CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST Loreal Flowers, Minister Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Tuesday Bible Class . . . 7:00 p.m. |
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| ABUNDANT LIFE CHURCH SAMSON, ALA. Richard Thorn Sr., Pastor Morn. Worship . . . 10:30 a.m. Wed. Night Service . . . 7:00 p.m. | DORCAS BAPTIST CHURCH Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Wed. Prayer Meet . . . 7:00 p.m. | FAITH CHAPEL COMMUNITY CHURCH Philip Adecock, Pastor Sunday Morning . . . 10:30 a.m. Sunday Evening . . . 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting . . . 6:30 p.m. | NEW ASSEMBLY OF GOD KINSTON Danny Bradshaw, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Wed. Bible Study . . . 7:00 p.m. | NEW JERUSALEM CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST - ENTERPRISE W. K. Ellison, Pastor Morning Worship . . . 9:00 a.m. Evening Worship . . . 6:00 p.m. Tuesday Evening . . . 7:00 p.m. Friday Evening . . . 7:00 p.m. | TRINITY BAPTIST CHURCH C.P. Davis, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m. Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m. Wed. Night Service . . . 6:00 p.m. |
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| CHESTNUT GROVE METHODIST CHURCH Remonia Smith, Pastor Church Service . . . 9:00 a.m. 2nd & 4th Sundays . . . 9:00 a.m. 1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays . . . 9:00 a.m. Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. 2nd & 4th Sundays | HAWK HILL ASSEMBLY OF GOD Shirlie Ellis, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m. Even. Services . . . 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting . . . 7:00 p.m. | HEBREW BAPTIST CHURCH Larry Jordan, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service . . . 6:30 p.m. Wed. Even. Meeting . . . 7:00 p.m. | MT. OLIVE BAPTIST CHURCH Brad Sasser, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m. Wed. Even. Service . . . 6:30 p.m. | NEW HAVEN BAPTIST CHURCH Old Stone Island, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet . . . 6:30 p.m. | WOOTEN CHAPEL ASSEMBLY OF GOD Mike Medley, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m. Wed. Service . . . 7:00 p.m. |
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SPORTS NEWS

Views From

The Pressbox

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

Our grandson Lawson spent the weekend with us and while he did enjoy playing with his video games, he also brought with him a couple of board games and showed us his skills on a game named Pokémon Monopoly. While I am not big on playing board games, I would much rather he toss the dice and move plastic figures around a board than sit in front of a video screen.

For what it is worth....

*** The Alabama High School Athletic Association released its alignments for spring sports last week and while there is less attention in the sports of baseball and softball than there is in the world of football, the new area alignments did create a lot of talk among coaches and fans.

In baseball, Elba and Houston County got a great deal of attention in their move to the 1A ranks along with area foes Kinston, Pleasant Home and Florala, while in Class 2A the Zion Chapel Rebels made an unexpected move to area five and while they will finally get away from small school powers Ariton and G.W. Long, they will move into an area that will include former private school power Pike Liberal Arts. New Brockton should continue to be an annual playoff participant as it competes in an area that includes Opp, Daleville and Pike County, and while there may be only four area teams in 4A, four are very solid teams as Andalusia, Dale County, Geneva and Slocomb will make up the quartet. Class 5A will also have a very talented foursome that includes Charles Henderson, Headland, Rehobeth and Carroll, while up in the 7A ranks Enterprise will be in a five-team region, but really has only two competitors in Dothan and Prattville.

In softball, the Elba Lady Tigers will join a completely new area and will compete against Florala, Kinston and Houston County, while Pleasant Home will join the neighboring area and make it a three-team battle along with Brantley and Red Level. In Class 2A, Wicksburg has long been a 3A state softball power, and now appears to be a solid favorite in a four-team group that also includes Cottonwood, Geneva County and Samson, while Providence Christian got a breath of fresh air in an area that includes Ashford, Daleville and Northside Methodist, and Zion Chapel moved into area five, which will include state tourney participant Luverne and longtime private school power Pike Liberal Arts. There are only five teams in the 4A race, but all five teams are very talented as defending 3A state champ Houston Academy will join 4A state runner-up Geneva, final four 4A state tourney finisher Dale County, Andalusia and Slocomb in what has to be the one of the toughest areas in the state.

*** While the 'transfer portal' has become a daily source of conversation at the college level in all sports, a different form of the so-called portal has found its way into high school athletics, where it looks like school loyalty and pride are just a thing of the past as boys and girls in all sports seem to constantly be looking for new uniforms to put on. Rumors are often unfounded. However, even at a small school like Elba, players have gone to social media to report upcoming changes of scenery. I know parents have the right to send their children to school wherever they wish, but now the sports world has changed at every level and high school athletes are moving more than ever.

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before. I just hope it's the children that really wants to move, and not just parents that may think their children will get more publicity or be more appreciated at a new location. I have always said you don't play for a team just because of the coach and you don't quit a team just because of the coach. Hopefully the name of the front of the jersey will one day be the main factor in where high school student-athletes choose to play.

*** The Southeastern Conference is holding its annual spring meetings this week and the biggest rumor making the rounds on internet sports sites is that when Texas and Oklahoma join the SEC in 2025 the conference will split with the NCAA and hold its own "national championship" playoffs with just its members taking part. The conference will make a decision on division play this week, with many believing it will go to 4-team pods, while others predict it will just open up the conference and let the teams choose two annual opponents and let the conference fill

in the rest of the conference schedule on a rotating basis. I am all in favor of the SEC pulling out of the NCAA in all sports, making its own rules concerning various sports, and even proclaiming its own national champion every year in all sports. College sports has evolved from just the advancement of a recreational sport into a big business, and the SEC is the chairman of the board.

*** In closing.... Another school year is in the books and I would like to thank everyone that helped make it a terrific year for the high school teams in our coverage area. We were lucky to have a group of fans that loved to share their pictures that enabled us to share the photos with our readers, and through an internet service named 'GameChanger' we were able to provide coverage of almost every game played in the spring. I have been a part of the local sports scene for almost fifty years, and while the method of reporting has changed, it is better than ever, and keeps me going.

In Elba High sports

New year will bring new challenges

AHSAA – BOYS SPORTS CLASS 1A - 2022-2024

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Brantley – Elba – Florala – Georgiana –
Houston County – Kinston – McKenzie –
Pleasant Home – Red Level

BASKETBALL (Class 1A, Area 2)

Brantley – Elba – Florala – Houston County –
Kinston

BASEBALL (Class 1A, Area 2)

Elba – Florala – Houston County – Kinston –
Pleasant Home

GOLF (Class 1A-2A Section 1)

Bayshore Christian – Brantley – Elba –
Geneva County – Highland Home – J.U.
Blacksher – Kinston – Leroy – Luverne –
Millry – Pike Liberal Arts – Pleasant Home –
Samson – St. Luke's – Washington County –
Wicksburg

AHSAA GIRLS SPORTS CLASS 1A - 2022-2024

VOLLEYBALL (Class 1A, Area 1)

Elba – Florala – Houston County – Kinston

BASKETBALL (Class 1A, Area 2)

Brantley – Elba – Florala – Houston County –
Kinston

SOFTBALL (Class 1A, Area 2)

Elba – Florala – Houston County – Kinston

Elba Parks and Rec to host two Dixie Youth baseball tournaments

The Elba Parks and

Recreation is busy this week preparing to host two Dixie Youth baseball District Tournaments.

Elba will host the Boys 10U and Boys 12U District Tournaments, beginning Thursday, June 9th. Both tournaments will be held at Hawkins-Williams Park in

Elba. Parks and Recreation director Greg Hanchey said it is an honor for Elba to be asked to host both district tournaments, and he anticipates lots of visitors coming to the city throughout the duration of the events. He said it should have a positive economic impact for Elba.

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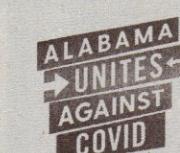
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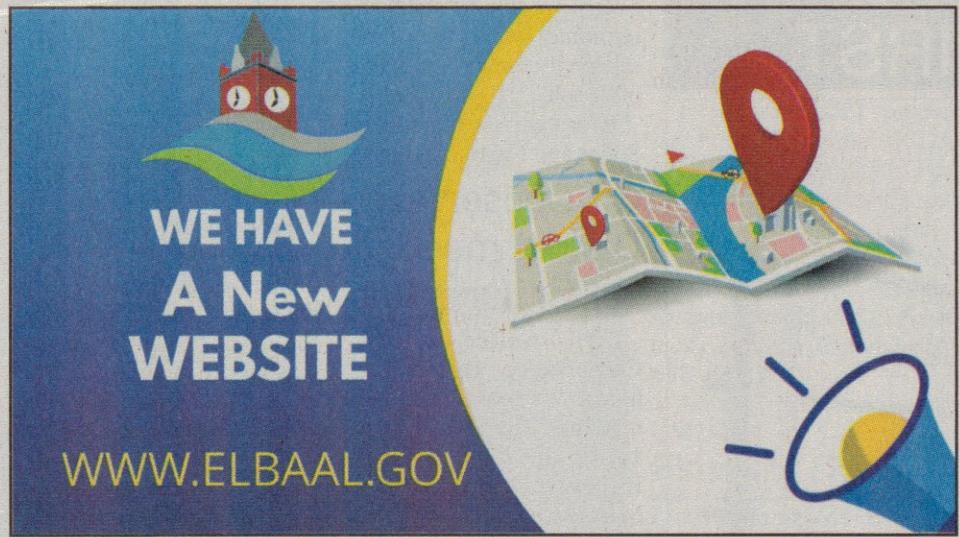
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bidders should the highest bidder fail to timely tender the total amount due. U.S. Bank Trust National Association, not in its individual capacity but solely as collateral trust trustee of FirstKey Master Funding 2021-A Collateral Trust Transferee.

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CASE NO. PC-2021-046B

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY EXECUTOR

Letters Testamentary under the Last Will and Testament of said deceased having been granted to Kim Ellis, on the 23rd day of May, 2022, by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson, Judge of Probate of Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

/s/ Kim Ellis
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LIFESTYLES

Hussey named to President's List at WCC for Spring

Stown Hussey from Elba, Ala., a graduate of Zion Chapel School, was recently named to the President's List for the Spring 2022 semester at Wallace Community College.

Students named to the President's list must have completed a minimum of 12 semester hours of college level coursework with a grade point average of 4.0.

**Lifestyles
and Church
News are Due
on Mondays!**

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| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
| 29 | 30 MEMORIAL DAY Library Closed | 31 | 1 | 2:00 Coffee & Coloring 4:00 Summer Learning Kick-Off Event McWane Center @ The Elba Theater | 3 | 4 Wheels on the Square 8:00 - 1:30 Downtown Elba Hosted by the Elba Masonic Lodge |
| 5 | 6 10:00 - 5th & 6th grade 2:00 - Kindergarten & 1st grade | 7 10:00 - Preschool | 8 10:00 - 2nd - 4th grade Library Closes at Noon 1:00 Camp Excel | 9 10:00 Coffee & Coloring 4:30 Animal Tales @ The Elba Theater | 10 | 11 |
| 12 | 13 10:00 - 5th & 6th grade 2:00 - Kindergarten & 1st grade 5:30 - Make It Monday | 14 10:00 - Preschool 2:00 - Library Board Meeting | 15 10:00 - 2nd - 4th grade Library Closes at Noon 1:00 Camp Excel | 16 10:00 Coffee & Coloring 4:00 Splash Day @ The Splash Pad | 17 | 18 JUNETEENTH CELEBRATION Celebration |
| 19 | 20 Library Closed In Observance of JUNETEENTH | 21 10:00 - Preschool 10:00 - Book Club A Time to Kill 5:00 Teen Time Tues. | 22 10:00 - 2nd - 4th grade Library Closes at Noon 1:00 Camp Excel | 23 10:00 Coffee & Coloring 4:30 - Bright Star Touring Theatre Group | 24 | 25 |
| 26 Charlotte M. Clark Community Room Dedication 2:00 | 27 10:00 - 5th & 6th grade 2:00 - Kindergarten & 1st grade | 28 10:00 - Preschool 5:00 Teen Time Tues. | 29 10:00 - 2nd - 4th grade Library Closes at Noon 1:00 Camp Excel | 30 4:00 - Summer Learning Party @ the Library | 1 OCEANS OF POSSIBILITIES | |

SUMMER CAMP
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ELBA The City of Elba's Summer Camp 2022

Camp EXCEL to begin June 6th in Elba

The City of Elba will host its annual summer program, Camp E.X.C.E.L. again this June.

The camp will be Monday-Thursday June 6 – 30 from 12 noon until 4:30 p.m., and it serves children 1st-6th grades (2022-2023 school year).

The camp fee is \$40 per child. If a family has more than one child the cost is the \$40 plus \$10 for each additional sibling. Space is limited to 50 children.

Free lunch will be provided by the Elba City Schools Summer Feeding Program.

Camp activities to include character building and leadership, arts and crafts, games, sports, and lots more.

**SHOP
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ADPH continues to encourage vaccination against COVID

The Alabama Department of Public Health (ADPH) urges the public to not be complacent about COVID-19 and for eligible Alabama residents to get vaccinated and boosted. The percent positivity of COVID-19 tests, the number of cases, and number of hospitalizations are increasing.

Many Alabama residents have not been vaccinated, even though COVID-19 still poses risks and there may be surges again as the virus continues to mutate and evolve. Nearly 3,000 Alabamians have died from COVID-19 in 2022, and in just the past seven days 2,759 tests have been positive for COVID-19, a 10.3 percent positivity.

State Health Officer Dr. Scott Harris said, "Plenty of COVID-19 vaccine is available, and I encourage people to make sure you're protected. We are not an overly vaccinated state, and immunity wanes over time, especially for certain groups of people."

Everyone in the United States age 5 years and older

CC Conservation District meeting set for June 16th

The Coffee County Conservation District will hold its monthly board meeting Thursday, June 16, at the Coffee County Extension Office, 1055 E. McKinnon Street, New Brockton, AL 36351. The meeting will start at 10:00 a.m.

There are limited to the number of people that can be in the room so if anyone planning to attend, should call 334-894-5581X3.

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is eligible for the COVID-19 vaccine and booster free of charge. Children 5 through 11 are authorized to receive a booster dose of the Pfizer vaccine at least five months after completing the primary vaccine series and immunocompromised children 5 through 11 should receive a booster 3 months after completing their primary series. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommends a booster dose of Pfizer vaccine for children and adolescents ages 12 through 17.

People age 5 and older and people age 12 and older who are moderately or severely immunocompromised are eligible for a second booster shot using an mRNA COVID-19 vaccine. The CDC urges older Americans to increase their protection against the virus, particularly people age 70 and older.

To find a COVID-19 vaccine clinic near you, text your zip code to 438829 or visit www.vaccines.gov. All county health departments offer COVID-19 vaccine at no charge for ages 5 and older. General COVID-19 questions may be answered by calling 1-800-270-7268 or e-mailing covid19info@adph.state.al.us. Telephone calls are answered from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding holidays. Interpreters are available.

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assistance to help producers plan and implement conservation practices, including those that work well for organic operations, such as pest management and mulching. Meanwhile, FSA offers cost-share for certification costs and other fees.

Other CRP Options

Participants can also choose to enroll all or part of their expiring acres into the Continuous CRP signup for 2022. Important conservation benefits may still be achieved by re-enrolling sensitive acres such as buffers or wetlands. Expiring water quality practices such as filter strips, grass waterways, and riparian buffers may be eligible to be re-enrolled under the Clean Lakes, Estuaries, and Rivers (CLEAR) and CLEAR 30 options under CRP. Additionally, expiring continuous CRP practices such as shelterbelts, field windbreaks, and other buffer practices may also be re-enrolled to provide benefits for organic farming operations.

If producers are not planning to farm the land from their expiring CRP contract, the Transition Incentives

Program (TIP) may also provide them two additional annual rental payments after their contract expires on the condition that they sell or rent their land to a beginning or veteran farmer or rancher or a member of a socially disadvantaged group.

Producers interested in the Continuous CRP sign-up, CLEAR 30, or TIP should contact FSA by Aug. 5, 2022.

NRCS Conservation Programs

USDA also encourages producers to consider NRCS conservation programs, which help producers integrate conservation on croplands, grazing lands and other agricultural landscapes. EQIP and CSP can help producers plant cover crops, manage nutrients and improve irrigation and grazing systems. Additionally, the Agricultural Conservation Easement Program (ACEP), or state or private easement programs, may be such an option. In many cases, a combination of approaches can be taken on the same parcel. For example, riparian areas or other sensitive parts of a parcel may be enrolled in continuous CRP and the remaining land that is returned to farming can participate in CSP or EQIP and may be eligible to receive additional ranking points.

Other Flexibilities to Support Conservation

Additionally, NRCS is also offering a new flexibility for EQIP and CSP participants who have cover cropping including in their existing contracts. NRCS will allow participants to either modify their plans to plant a cover crop (and instead shift to a conservation crop rotation) or delay their cover crop plans a year, without needing to terminate the existing contract. This will allow for flexibility to respond to market signals while still ensuring the conservation benefits through NRCS financial and technical assistance for participating producers.